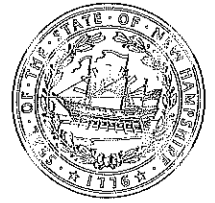




The State of New Hampshire  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**



**Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner**

April 13, 2009

Mr. John MacDonald  
Vice President - Generation  
Northeast Utilities  
Public Service of New Hampshire  
780 N. Commercial St.  
Manchester, NH 03101

**Re: Permit Application Request for Additional Information  
Public Service of New Hampshire – Merrimack Station, Bow, New Hampshire  
Facility ID # 3301500012; Application # FY96-TV048**

Dear Mr. MacDonald:

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Air Resources Division (Department) is currently reviewing the Title V Operating Permit application for Public Service of New Hampshire, Merrimack Station (PSNH). The Department anticipates completing its review of this application and issuing a draft Title V Operating Permit and public notice by July 31, 2009 in accordance with Env-A 622.02 *Public Notice*. The Department intends to hold a public hearing on this draft permit no later than September 11, 2009, pursuant to Env-A 622.05 *Requests for Public Hearing*. In order to finalize its review of this application, in accordance with Env-A 609.12 *Application Deficiencies*, the Department requests the following additional information be submitted by PSNH within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

1. In accordance with Env-A 1405 *Method of Demonstrating Compliance*, PSNH must submit a revised air toxics compliance demonstration for coal dust;
2. In accordance with 40 Code of Federal Regulations 70.6(a)(9), PSNH must update the Title V Operating Permit application identifying any alternate operating scenarios;
3. In accordance with Env-A 611 *General Acid Rain Permitting Requirements*, PSNH must update its Title V Operating Permit application with an application to renew the facility's Acid Rain Permit; and
4. In accordance with Env-A 609.12 *Application Deficiencies*, PSNH shall provide supplemental information to the Department as necessary to update the Title V Operating Permit application.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Elizabeth Nixon of the Air Resources Division, Permitting & Environmental Health Bureau, by phone at (603) 271-0883 or by e-mail at [elizabeth.nixon@des.nh.gov](mailto:elizabeth.nixon@des.nh.gov).

Sincerely,

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Administrator  
Permitting & Environmental Health Bureau

*By certified mail # 7007 2560 0001 3868 2416*

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